(d) and (e) Such proposals have been made from time to time but no time frame has been laid down for taking a decision in the matter.

Foreign training of officials

†1191. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the tendency of higher officials of the Central and State Governments touring foreign countries in the name of training has grown in recent years;

(b) if so, Ministry-wise (Centre) and State-wise (State) details of the officials gone abroad during the last two years;

(c) the details of amount spent and achievements made from the said trainings/tours;

(d) the details of steps to be taken by Government to keep a check on such lavish expenditure in the name of said tours and rationalise them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) to (d) The nominations of Government officers for various training programmes abroad are made by the Department of Personnel and Training as well as by other Ministries/Departments as per the Ministries' own needs/requirements. These training programmes also include nominations made to the training programmes sponsored by other countries. The nominations for various training programmes in all the different Department/ Ministries are not monitored centrally.

Mid-term appraisal of Tenth Plan

†1192. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to the mid-term appraisal of Tenth Five Year Plan period, the targets fixed in the country are not going to be achieved;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.